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Systematics of the even-even rare-earth nuclei suggest a concentration of M1 excitations peaking around 3 MeV with a  $\Sigma B(M1)$  strength of  $\sim 3\mu_N^2$ . In addition, a linear dependence on the square of the ground-state deformation was observed in the systematics of the  $\Sigma B(M1)$  strengths. The actinide region is interesting for investigation of the ''scissors'' mode of \$M1\$ excitations because it has neutron-rich nuclei with large deformations. Evidence of M1 resonances concentrated around 2.0-2.5 MeV were found in  $^{238}$ U &  $^{232}$ Th. A research program has been initiated at TUNL to measure dipole transitions in the actinide using HIyS. Nearly monoenergic & circular polarized  $\gamma$ -ray beams below 3.0 MeV was used to measure transitions in  $^{235}$ U. More than 20 transitions in  $^{235}$ U were observed. The integrated cross sections, B(M1) strengths, and branching transitions intensities will be presented and compared with previous measurements.

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